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Job Creation under Digital India
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Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

Will the Minister of Electronics and Information Technology be pleased to state: -
(a) whether the Union Government proposes to create 4.5 lakh jobs through launching of Digital India Programme;
(b) if so, the details in this regard along with the number of jobs created so far;
(c) whether the Government has assessed the estimated number of jobs that multi-national companies operating in the field of IT in India have generated over the years;
(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, whether the Government plans to conduct such surveys in future, and if so, the details thereof; and
(e) whether these MNCs operating in the field of IT possess a huge individual data of the citizens and if so, the security standard in place to check the misuse of such data?

Answer

(a) and (b): Yes, Sir. Under "Pillar 8: IT for Jobs" of Digital India programme, the Government of India is implementing schemes that aim to
â€¢ train 1 crore students from smaller towns & villages for IT sector jobs,
â€¢ set up BPOs across the country to facilitate ICT enabled growth,
â€¢ train 3 lakh service delivery agents as part of skill development to run viable businesses delivering IT services, and
â€¢ train 5 lakh rural workforce by the Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) to cater to their own needs.
Various projects/ schemes are being implemented under Digital India programme to create jobs. The Government is implementing India BPO Promotion Scheme (IBPS) for promotion of BPO/ITES operations of 48,300 seats (employment opportunities for 1,44,900 persons considering 3 shifts operations) across the country including small towns and rural areas, with an outlay of about ` 493 crore.
The North East BPO Promotion Scheme (NEBPS) has been notified to incentivize BPO Operations in the North East Region (NER), including rural areas, for creation of employment opportunities for the youth and growth of IT-ITES Industry, by the establishment of 5000 seats (15,000 persons considering 3 shifts operations).
(c) and (d): No, Sir. However, as per the National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM) assessment, the estimated number of jobs generated over the years in companies operating in the field of IT/ ITeS in India are as follows:
Year Total employees ('000 numbers)
FY 2014 3,267
FY 2015 3,485
FY 2016 3,688 (expected)

(e): No, Sir. However, the Information Technology (IT) Act, 2000 provides legal framework for data security breach. Section 43, section 43A, section 72 and section 72A of the IT Act, 2000 provides for privacy and security of data in digital form.
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